Appl. No. 10/679,302

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Reply to Office action of 04/05/06

Remarks/Arguments:

The Specification is amended on pages 1 and 31 (Abstract) to amend the title to

more adequately reflect the present claims (method).

The claims presented include subject matter held patentable by the Examiner

and allowance is urged. The rejections under 35 USC 103 are thus deemed overcome

and withdrawal thereof is respectfully requested. More specifically, independent claim

76 is amended to include the limitations of dependent claim 77, the latter deemed

allowable if presented in such form. Claim 77 is thus cancelled. The dependency of

claim 78 is amended accordingly. New independent claim 85 includes the limitations

of claim 76 and dependent claim 79, the latter now cancelled but deemed by the

Examiner to be allowable if presented in independent form. New dependent claim 86

includes similar limitations as previous dependent claim 80. Accordingly, claims 79

and 80 are cancelled. Independent claim 81 is cancelled. Claims 82-84 remain as

originally presented and as held allowable by the Examiner.

All of the claims presented herein containing allowable subject matter,

allowance is again requested.

Applicants respectfully request that a timely Notice of Allowance be issued in this

case. Should the Examiner believe that minor changes are needed which, if made, will

result in allowance of the Application and that such changes can be readily discussed in a

phone conversation, the Examiner is cordially requested to phone the undersigned,

collect, at the number provide below, for this purpose.

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